Crime Column Listing (by severity)

In cases involving multiple current offenses, it may not be clear from the matrices, which is the most severe offense. The following chart lists the 19 columns of both matrices in order of severity for purposes of identifying the correct column to use to intersect with the criminal history row in order to arrive at a guidelines recommendation. The chart will also identify which matrix to use if the current offenses include both sex offenses and non-sex offenses. This chart does not attempt to comment on the egregiousness or victimization of a particular offense or category of offenses. It simply lists a hierarchy of guidelines severity when considering both disposition and length of stay.

Rank	Crime Category	Matrix
1	1 st Degree Murder	General
2	1 st Degree Mandatory Prison 15 to Life	Sex Offense
3	1 st Degree Mandatory Prison 10 to Life	Sex Offense
4	1 st Degree Mandatory Prison 6 to Life	Sex Offense
5	1 st Degree Mandatory Prison 5 to Life	Sex Offense
6	1 st Degree Mandatory Prison 3 to Life	Sex Offense
7	1 st Degree 5 to Life	Sex Offense
8	1 st Degree Person	General
9	2 nd Degree Death	General
10	1 st Degree 3 to Life	Sex Offense
11	1 st Degree Other	General
12	2 nd Degree 1 to 15	Sex Offense
13	2 nd Degree Person	General
14	3 rd Degree Death	General
15	3 rd Degree 0 to 5	Sex Offense
16	3 rd Degree Person	General
17	2 nd Degree Other	General
18	3 rd Degree Other	General
19	Class A Misdemeanor 0 to 1	Sex Offense